

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

In Re: Tallulah's Taqueria, LLC
Debtor

BK. No.: 1:25-bk-10270
Chapter 11

DEBTOR'S STATUS REPORT PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §1188(c)

Debtor, Tallulah's Taqueria LLC, hereby submits the following Status Report pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §1188(c):

I. Introduction

1. On April 7, 2025, the Debtor filed a Voluntary Petition under Chapter 11, Subchapter V, of the Bankruptcy Code.

2. Pursuant to Sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtor continues to manage its business and financial affairs as a Debtor-in-Possession. No creditors' committee has been appointed in this case.

3. The Court has scheduled a status hearing on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., via Zoom.

II. Background

4. The Debtor is a Rhode Island limited liability company that was formed on March 3, 2014. The Debtor operates Tallulah's Taqueria restaurants at three (3) locations: 146 Ives Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, 10 Sims Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02909, and a seasonal location at 35 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, Rhode Island 02835. The Debtor leases all three restaurants from unrelated third-party landlords. The members of the Debtor are Kelly Ann Rojas (50%) and Jake Rojas (50%).

5. Debtor's operations were profitable prior to 2020. Before the onset of the COVID pandemic, the Debtor decided to expand its existing operations and open a third location at 10 Sims Avenue, Providence, RI. The Debtor obtained loans from Navigant Credit Union to finance

the construction of a restaurant and commissary at 10 Sims Avenue. Due to the COVID pandemic, the Debtor experienced significant delays and unanticipated cost overruns during the build out of 10 Sims Avenue. In addition, once the 10 Sims Avenue location was ready to open, the Debtor had difficulty staffing the restaurant due to the effect of the pandemic. The Sims Avenue location was not profitable. The Debtor supported the Sims Avenue location from the operation of its other two profitable locations, Ives Street, Providence and Jamestown, RI.

6. In December 2023, the Washington Bridge in Rhode Island was shut down. The disruption caused by the Washington Bridge shut down and the related construction since the end of 2023 has had a negative impact on the Debtor's revenues at its Ives Street location on the East Side of Providence, RI. The result was that the Debtor was no longer able to support its operations at 10 Sims Avenue, and the Debtor fell behind on its lease payments to its landlord, Farm Fresh Rhode Island. The Debtor remains current on its lease payments at its Ives Street and Jamestown locations.

7. The Debtor filed its Chapter 11 petition on April 7, 2025, due to a pending eviction proceeding filed by Farm Fresh Rhode Island for the 10 Sims Avenue location.

8. The Debtor has four (4) creditors asserting liens on substantially all of its assets, which are, in order of priority:

- a. Navigant Credit Union, which was owed \$284,187.00 on a term loan as of the petition date;
- b. Navigant Credit Union, which was owed \$50,202.00 on a Line of Credit Agreement as of the petition date;

c. The United States Small Business Administration ("SBA"), assignee of New England Certified Development Corporation which was owed approximately \$258,838.99 as of the petition date;

d. Financial Agent Services on behalf of On Deck Capital which was owed approximately \$94,000.00 as of the petition date.

9. The Debtor believes that the claims of Navigant Credit Union are under secured and the claims of the SBA and On Deck Capital are completely unsecured.

10. The Debtor owes past due priority state sales and meals and beverage taxes in the approximate amount of \$180,191.12. The Debtor also owes the Rhode Island Department of Labor & Training a priority tax claim of \$73.59.

11. Debtor has approximately \$769,166.81 in general unsecured debt, including the under secured and unsecured portions of the Navigant Credit Union, SBA and On Deck Capital claims.

III. Status

12. Section 1188(c) of the Code provides that: "[n]ot later than fourteen (14) days before the date of the Status Conference under Subsection (a), the Debtor shall file with the Court and serve on the Trustee and all parties in interest a report that details the efforts the Debtor has undertaken and will undertake to attain a consensual plan of reorganization."

13. It is the Debtor's intention is to file a "bootstrap" plan that (a) restructures the Debtor's secured debt; (b) pays past due state tax obligations in full pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code; and (c) applies all projected disposable income to payments to general unsecured creditors over a 5-year period. Counsel for the Debtor has had initial communications with counsel for Navigant Credit Union and Farm Fresh Rhode Island. The Debtor facilitated an appraisal of its

equipment for Navigant Credit Union. The Debtor in cooperation with Navigant Credit Union and Farm Fresh Rhode Island intends to cease operating the 10 Sims Avenue location and to move to abandon the equipment at that location.

14. Debtor's counsel discussed the Chapter 11 filing with the Subchapter V Trustee and provided the Trustee with the Debtor's history, operations and initial thoughts on a plan of reorganization. The Trustee has indicated that he will assist where possible. Debtor's member, Jake Rojas and counsel attended the Initial Debtor Interview with the Office of the United States Trustee and Subchapter V Trustee on April 17, 2025. The Section 341 Meeting of Creditors is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

15. The Debtor hopes that its efforts to close 10 Sims Avenue and reorganize its two (2) profitable restaurant locations will lead to a consensual plan of reorganization.

IV. Notice

16. Copies of this Status Report have been furnished by ECF or regular mail to: (a) the Office of the United States Trust for this District; (b) the Subchapter V Trustee; (c) the Debtor's secured creditors; (d) the Debtor's unsecured creditors; and (d) all parties that have

requested notice in this case. The Debtor submits that such service constitutes sufficient notice of this Status Report in the circumstances of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 30, 2025, I electronically filed a **Debtor's Status Report Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §1188(c)** with the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court for the District of Rhode Island using the CM-ECF System. The following are CM/ECF System participants in this case eligible to receive notice of the filing of such paper(s) electronically:

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